

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Intended Use of Federal Social Service Block Grant Funds

(Issued July 12, 2006)

As required by federal regulation, the North Dakota Department of Human Services will submit a plan for the intended use of Social Service Block Grant funds to the Department of Health and Human Services.

The funding allotted to North Dakota through the Social Service Block Grant is \$2,563,166 for the period beginning October 1, 2006 and ending September 30, 2007.

It is the intent of the North Dakota Department of Human Services to allocate money to the 53 county social service boards to assist in funding social services for abused and neglected children and their families; children who are at risk of abuse or neglect and their families; children and their families who need individual and/or family support services to maintain the child within the home; adults with physical disabilities who need services to attain or maintain the highest level of independence; older adults in need of services to enable them to maintain their independence, and adults at risk of abuse, neglect and exploitation.

The remaining money will be used to assist in the cost of delivering services through the eight regional human service centers of the Department of Human Services. The services to be provided include assessment, evaluation, care coordination, and clinical and rehabilitative therapy/counseling for vulnerable children, adolescents, adults, and elderly individuals. For details about the intended use of funds, see the Social Service Block Grant Pre-Expenditure Report Federal Fiscal Year 2007.

Any individual or agency wishing to comment on the intended use of these funds or to receive additional information is urged to contact Debra McDermott, Assistant Director, Fiscal Administration, N.D. Department of Human Services, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250, <mailto:somcdd@nd.gov>.

Comments will be accepted through August 18, 2006. Copies of the final plan can be obtained in mid-September upon request to the above address.